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Iran (Islamic Republic of), India and Pakistan:
amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.45

Memorandum on the export of anti-personnel land-mines

1. Delete preambular paragraph 15.

2. Replace preambular paragraph 16 with the following:

Recognizing that States can move most effectively towards the goal of the eventual elimination of anti-personnel land-mines as viable and humane alternatives are developed, and emphasizing the need for States to work on developing such alternatives and ensuring transfer of related technology to all States on an urgent basis,

3. Replace operative paragraphs 2, 4 and 5 with the following:

2. Urges States that have not yet done so to declare such moratoriums on all types of anti-personnel land-mines at the earliest possible date;

4. Emphasizes the importance of the Convention on prohibition or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects and Protocol II thereto as the authoritative international instrument governing the responsible use of anti-personnel land-mines and related devices, and urges parties to build consensus towards an agreement on additional measures concerning prohibition and use of certain types of anti-personnel land-mines along with specific measures to ensure full and unimpeded access to material, equipment and technology for mine clearance when the Review Conference of Parties to the Convention reconvenes;

5. Encourages steps that would facilitate the widest possible accession to the Convention and to Protocol II thereto, and further urges all States to comply fully with the applicable rules of Protocol II;

4. Add a new operative paragraph 6 as follows:

6. Calls upon all States, especially those which have a capacity to do so, to provide all kinds of assistance to remove or otherwise render ineffective minefields, mines and booby traps in accordance with international law.

5. Renumber other paragraphs accordingly.